

## SPORTS ON KAUAI.

## Annual Athletic Contests at Makaweli.

KAUAI, Jan. 6.—The annual sports at Makaweli plantation, which were postponed on Christmas day on account of the heavy rains which fell during the morning, were successfully carried out on New Year's day. The weather was good, dry and not too warm, and the records for the majority of the events show a marked improvement on previous meetings. The jumping might have been a little better, but it is only fair to add that it was slightly uphill, which circumstance must have detracted a little from the excellence of the performances. A quoiting tournament of ten shots up was carried on during the forenoon, and brought some very close and exciting games. The final fell to be played between J. Elliott and J. Anderson, and after a good game was won by Elliott with 10 points to his opponent's 6. The 100 yards dash and hurdle race were run in good time, but in the latter two of the competitors came a cropper, one at the first hurdle and one at the last. The other and more comical races were well contested, and afforded a good deal of amusement. The judges were Messrs. Simpson and Hants. Starter, Mr. Wm. Hastie. Timekeeper, Mr. James Dyson.

Event 1—Quoiting tournament; 1st, Jno. Elliott; 2d, Jno. Anderson.

Event 2—Putting the shot, 22 lbs.; 1st, Jno. Anderson, 23 ft. 8 in.; 2d, J. E. Hime, 27 ft. 5 in.

Event 3—Sack race, 50 yds.; 1st, W. Baldwin; 2d, J. E. Hime.

Event 4—Broad jump; 1st, W. Baldwin, 16 ft. 1 in.; 2d, J. E. Hime, 16 ft. 0 1/2 in.

Event 5—Hurdle race, 100 yds. (four hurdles, 3 ft. high); 1st, W. Baldwin; 2d, Jno. Ropoze; time, 14 secs.

Event 6—Throwing the hammer; 1st, Jno. Anderson, 81 ft.; 2d, Jno. Clark, 75 ft. 2 in.

Event 7—Three-legged race, 50 yds.; 1st, W. Baldwin and Jno. Elliott; 2d, Wm. Dickson and Jno. Ropoze.

Event 8—High jump; W. Baldwin and J. E. Hime (equal), 4 ft. 6 in.; Jno. Anderson, 4 ft. 5 in.

Event 9—Running hop, step and leap; 1st, J. E. Hime, 33 ft. 1 1/2 in.; 2d, W. Baldwin, 32 ft. 5 1/2 in.

Event 10—Elephant race, 50 yds.; 1st, W. Dickson and Jno. Ropoze; 2d, W. Baldwin and Jno. Elliott.

Event 11—100 yds. dash; 1st heat, 1st, J. Anderson; 2d, J. E. Hime; 2d heat, 1st, J. Elliott; 2d, D. Douglas; final heat, 1st, J. Anderson; 2d, Jno. Elliott; time, 11 secs.

"STALWART."

## A NARROW ESCAPE.

## A Boat Upset in a Heavy Surf at Hamakua.

HONOKAA, Jan. 5.—The steamer Waialeale arrived yesterday forenoon, bringing a pretty heavy mail, and the mail carrier, Master Walter Greenfield, not expecting so large a mail, only took down the horse he rode. On reaching the wharf and finding the mail unusually heavy, he had to pack the large bags on his horse and foot it up the hill.

The steamer Kilauea Hou arrived today but brought no mail. The steamer Hawaii left for Honolulu on the 3d, with 6000 bags of sugar. A serious accident, which nearly resulted in the death of a number of boatmen occurred on the day before she left. In the morning of the same day she began loading sugar, there being a heavy sea, the men had all they could do to prevent the boat from being dashed on the rocks near the landing. Unexpectedly a heavy sea broke over the boat while near the landing and the craft being heavily loaded, turned on one side on a big rock. The men in the boat jumped out and quickly grasped at the two life buoys thrown out to them. The boat and cargo were luckily saved by the presence of mind of the landing overseer, Mr. M. de Brito, who threw out a rope, and the next heavy sea that came turned the boat nearly over. Fortunately it righted again and was hauled out into the open sea.

## Two Hawaiian Boys Returning Home.

Two native boys, James Kala and Kaanaana, returned on Saturday by the bark Andrew Welch from the Coast. They left here last year in the whalers Jas. Arnold and Narwhal respectively, and spent about seven months whaling up in the Arctic regions. Three months ago they returned to San Francisco and were cared for by Hawaiians residing in Sacramento. James Kala worked for a while with Captain Staples at the Sailors' Home in San Francisco. The boys were glad to get home.

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## THE HAWAIIAN STAMP CRAZE.

A Situation That Attracted the Attention of Philatelists the World Over.

Of all the queer developments that have arisen in connection with the de-thronement of Queen Liliuokalani none is stranger than the excitement which attended the speculation in the provisional stamps issued by the present government. This speculation is not confined to stamp collectors and dealers, but is indulged in by residents of Honolulu and citizens of this and other countries alike, even one of the Spreckels family being credited with having purchased and laid aside \$12,000 worth of these labels for future profit.

It was anticipated that the provisional government would be of short duration, and that the improvised stamps were to have a life as short as the temporary government, and this led to the scramble for stamps, as it was presumed that they would become exceedingly rare and valuable.

There were 21 varieties issued, including all the perforated stamps issued by the Hawaiian government since 1864, ranging in value from 1 cent to \$1. Each of these was overprinted, or surcharged, to use a philatelic term, with the words "Provisional Govt., 1893," in three lines, each word and date taking a separate line.

Some of the stamps were surcharged with black letters and others with red, all of one denomination being overprinted in the same color. But the portion of one value, the 12 cent mauve, was surcharged in black and the remainder in red, there being twice as many of the latter surcharged as of the former. As but a few thousands of this particular stamp were on hand, they were soon bought up, and as much as \$5 each was paid for a specimen of the black surcharge. Speculators soon bought up the supply of several of the other values, and it was not long after the date of their issue that a complete set of these stamps, which had a face value of \$3.01, was selling for \$15.

Recently, however, some of the speculators have deemed it wise to unload, and the entire set can now be purchased for \$10, still leaving a handsome profit on the original cost.

Recent advices from Honolulu show that the mania for stamp collecting has had somewhat of a sensational effect there. F. F. Porter, a brother of the ex-minister of finance of the provisional government, wrote as follows to a friend in this city:

"They have gone crazy on Hawaiian stamps. Even the Chinese are in it. I saw by the paper last night that one Chinese firm bought \$1,700 worth at the post-office. If such is the case, the government has a mighty good thing, for it can grind them out for about 10 cents per 1,000. I see in the windows about town samples of several kinds of stamps priced \$10."—San Francisco Call.

## A FREAK OF NATURE.

It is a Calf With Two Heads and Six Feet, and Alleghany Has It.

Alleghany has a monstrosity. It is in the shape of a newly born calf. It is a freak of nature that the museum man would be after it this morning if it were still alive. But the calf is dead. It died shortly after it was born. The calf had two perfectly well developed heads, six legs and two tails, and is a curiosity that attracted all Alleghany that knew about it yesterday afternoon.

The calf's mother was the property of Herman Jacob, a dairyman, residing at 277 Madison avenue, Alleghany. He was obliged to kill the cow before the calf was born. After the calf died Mr. Jacob decided to stuff the hide and keep it as a curiosity.

So far as the heads and front part of the monstrosity are concerned, the calf is shaped and proportioned normally, but at the shoulders the "double calf" is merged into one, with a perfectly formed hind part, with the exception of the two well formed tails of equal size and proportion. Within the calf there were found to be two stomachs, one set of bowels and one pair of lungs.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

## Zola on France and Germany.

While in London M. Zola was interviewed by the correspondent of the Cologne Gazette on the relations between France and Germany. M. Zola said: "Though I am not exactly a politician I can assure you of one thing, and that is that no one in France desires war. In no circumstances shall we take the offensive, but if we are attacked, well and good. I do not wish to deny the existence of the idea of revenge, but there is a great difference between cherishing an idea and putting it into practice. You cannot give me the name of a French statesman of the present day who is eager for war. We have no military party and no general who can claim the right to cover himself with the laurels of war. We have become more democratic, broader and more peaceable in our views. The condition, however, in which France lives is, I confess, anything but an ideal one."

## Chinese Honors For a Bishop.

Bishop Anser, the head of the German Roman Catholic mission in South Shantung, has been honored by the emperor of China with the light blue button (third class). This distinction has been conferred upon him in consideration of his meritorious services in preserving concord between native Christians and non-Christians.

With the exception of the old Jesuit missionaries this honor has been conferred, so far as is known, on only two other missionaries—namely, the late bishop of Peking, Mgr. Tagliabue, and Pere Favier, who received this decoration for their services in connection with the transfer of the old Peitang cathedral at Peking.—North China News.

## Fired by Sun and Water.

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